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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN SOUTHERN DIVISION

ROGER CAIN AND JAQUELINE THOMAS

MAGISTRATE JUDGE R. STEVEN WHALEN

Plaintiffs,

W.C.C.C. Case No. 04-430503 NO

W.C.C.C. HON: EDWARD M. THOMAS

MICHAEL RUSSELL, AUBREY SERGENT.

JUDGE: Taylor, Anna Diggs

and CITY OF DETROIT,

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NOTICE OF REMOVAL

NOW COMES Defendants, Michael Russell, Aubrey Sergent and City of Detroit, a municipal corporation, and for their Notice of Removal, state as follows:

- 1. That on or about September 29, 2004, Plaintiffs filed Civil Action 04-430503 NO in the Circuit Court for the County of Wayne, State of Michigan. (Complaint attached).
- 2. That Plaintiffs have asserted claims against Defendants for False Arrest, False Imprisonment, Assault and Battery and Federal Constitutional violations of the 4TH and 14TH Amendments

under 42 U.S.C.§ 1983 arising out of Plaintiff's being allegedly falsely arrested, falsely imprisoned and assaulted and battered on December 21, 2001. (Complaint attached).

- 3. That this Honorable Court has original jurisdiction over the aforesaid claims under 28 U.S.C. § 1331, and such claims are removable pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1441(b) and §1443(2).
- 4. That this Honorable Court has Supplemental Jurisdiction over the common law state claims which Plaintiff has alleged under 28 U.S.C. § 1367.
- 5. That inspection of Wayne County Circuit Court records for Civil Action 04-430503 NO shows no Proof of Service has been filed with respect to any other Defendant.
- 6. That the within Notice for Removal has been filed within 30 days of service of the Complaint in Civil Action No. 04-430503 NO upon Defendants, said Complaint asserting allegations which first made Plaintiffs' claims removable to this honorable court.

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DATED: November 5, 2004

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STATE OF MICHIGAN

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF WAYNE

ROGER CAIN and JAQUELINE THOMAS,

Plaintiffs.

VS.

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MICHAEL RUSSELL, AUBREY SERGENT, and CITY OF DETROIT.

Defendants.

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COMPLAINT AND JURY DEMAND

There is no other pending or resolved civil action arising out of the transaction or occurrence alleged in the complaint.

Thomas W. Stephens (P39503) Amos E. Williams (P39118)

The Plaintiffs, by and through their counsel, complain against the Defendants as follows:

- Plaintiffs ROGER CAIN and JACQUELINE THOMAS are residents of the City of Detroit, State of Michigan.
- 2. Defendant MICHAEL RUSSELL has been, at all times pertinent, an on-duty Detroit Police Officer, acting under color and authority of state law and pursuant to customs, policies or practices of Defendant CITY OF DETROIT. This Defendant is sued in his official and individual capacities.
- 3. Defendant AUBREY SERGENT has been, at all times pertinent, an on-duty Detroit Police Officer, acting under color and authority of state law and pursuant to customs, policies or practices of Defendant CITY OF DETROIT. This Defendant is sued in his official and individual capacities.
- 4. Defendant CITY OF DETROIT is a municipal corporation, organized and operating subject to the laws of the State of Michigan and the United States of America.
- 5. The events giving rise to this action occurred on December 21, 2001, at Plaintiff's home, located at 3551 East Hancock in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, State of Michigan.
- 6. Plaintiff alleges claims under 42 USC § 1983, as well as state law claims.
- 7. Plaintiff seeks damages in excess of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000).

GENERAL ALLEGATIONS OF FACT

8. Plaintiff re-alleges all of paragraphs 1 through 7 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.

- 9. On December 21, 2001, Plaintiff ROGER CAIN arrived at his home, located at 3551 East Hancock in the City of Detroit, Wayne County, State of Michigan, and found a strange van parked in front of the home. Neighbors told Plaintiff that three men had just run into his home. Plaintiff entered the home and observed three men, one of whom he recognized as Defendant Detroit Police Officer MICHAEL RUSSELL.
 Defendants were there to arrest THOMAS' Kim, who was present in the home.
- 10. After Defendants MICHAEL RUSSELL and AUBREY SERGENT left the home with the person they came to arrest in handcuffs, and while Plaintiff ROGER CAIN was still standing in the entryway of the home, Defendants, came back inside without any lawful authority to do so, grabbed Plaintiff ROGER CAIN, struck him repeatedly with a gun, and knocked him down on the ground.
- 11. When they falsely arrested Plaintiff ROGER CAIN on charges of Resisting and Obstructing, Defendants denied Plaintiff timely and adequate medical attention for the severe injuries he suffered when they beat him, and for severe, chronic medical conditions of heart disease and hypertension that were exacerbated by the beating and the arrest.
- 12. On or about December 27, 2001, Plaintiff ROGER CAIN filed a complaint regarding Defendants MICHAEL RUSSELL and AUBREY SERGENT. They were charged and sent to a trial board, which Plaintiff was unable to attend because he was confined in a hospital on July 30, 2004, when upon information and belief the trial board was convened.

- 13. The criminal charges against Plaintiff ROGER CAIN arising out of this incident have been dismissed, one count at a preliminary hearing and the other two (2) counts after a jury trial that ended in Plaintiff's favor on August 2, 2002.
- 14. As a direct and a proximate result of Defendants' misconduct, Plaintiff ROGER

 CAIN suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Physical injuries, including head injuries and aggravation of pre-existing medical conditions;
 - 2. Shock, fear, anxiety, humiliation and embarrassment; and
 - 3. Emotional harm.
- 15. As a direct and a proximate result of witnessing Defendants' misconduct, which occurred in her personal presence, Plaintiff JACQUELINE THOMAS suffered injuries and damages, including but not limited to:
 - 1. Shock, fear, anxiety, humiliation and embarrassment; and
 - 2. Emotional harm.

COUNT I FALSE ARREST AND FALSE IMPRISONMENT

- 16. Plaintiffs re-allege all of paragraphs 1 through 15 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 17. The arrest of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN was without warrant and without probable cause.

- 18. The imprisonment of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN was unlawful, being without warrant or probable cause and subsequent to the Plaintiff's unlawful arrest.
- 19. False arrest and false imprisonment are intentional torts which are not barred by government immunity under state law, nor by qualified immunity.
- 20. As a direct and a proximate result of Defendants' false arrest and false imprisonment of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN, Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as stated in paragraphs 14 and 15.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against Defendants for whatever amount the jury shall determine, in compensatory, exemplary, and/or punitive damages, together with interest, costs, and attorney fees as allowed under all applicable provisions of law.

COUNT II ASSAULT AND BATTERY

- 21. Plaintiffs re-allege all of paragraphs 1 through 20 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 22. The Defendants lacked authority to use force against Plaintiff ROGER CAIN to effect an unlawful arrest.
- 23. The Defendants, even if they had been effecting a lawful arrest, used far greater force than was necessary to effect the arrest of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN under the circumstances then present, and in fact beat Plaintiff ROGER CAIN violently, savagely and without any justification in law, causing serious injuries.
- 24. The use of force which is greater than necessary during an arrest constitutes assault and battery.

25. As a direct and a proximate result of Defendants' assault and battery against Plaintiff ROGER CAIN, Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as stated in paragraphs 14 and 15.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against Defendants for whatever amount the jury shall determine, in compensatory, exemplary, and/or punitive damages, together with interest, costs, and attorney fees as allowed under all applicable provisions of law.

COUNT III VIOLATION OF 42 USC § 1983; INDIVIDUAL DEFENDANTS

- 26. Plaintiffs re-allege all of paragraphs 1 through 25 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 27. Plaintiff ROGER CAIN has had at all relevant times the following clearly established rights:
 - 1. To be free from arrest without probable cause; and
 - 2. To be free from excessive force during arrest.
 - 3. To be free from malicious prosecution.
- 28. The conduct of the Defendants MICHAEL RUSSELL and AUBREY SERGENT was, at all times pertinent, unlawful, deliberately indifferent to Plaintiff's rights, objectively unreasonable, negligent, grossly negligent, reckless, willful and wanton.
- 29. Defendants' misconduct was a direct and a proximate cause of the injuries to the Plaintiffs, as alleged in this Complaint.

- 30. The unlawful conduct of the Defendants violated Plaintiff ROGER CAIN's rights under the 4th and 14th Amendments to the United States Constitution, and the equivalent provisions of the Constitution of the State of Michigan.
- 31. As a direct and a proximate result of the Defendants' violation of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN'S rights, Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as stated in paragraphs 14 and 15.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against Defendants for whatever amount the jury shall determine, in compensatory, exemplary, and/or punitive damages, together with interest, costs, and attorney fees as allowed under all applicable provisions of law, including 42 USC § 1988.

COUNT IV VIOLATION OF 42 USC § 1983; DEFENDANT CITY OF DETROIT

- 32. Plaintiffs re-allege all of paragraphs 1 through 31 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 33. At all times pertinent, Defendants MICHAEL RUSSELL and AUBREY SERGENT were Detroit police officers were acting pursuant to customs, policies and practices of the Defendant CITY OF DETROIT.
- 34. The customs, polices and practices of a municipality, for failing to supervise, discipline, and respond to incidents of misconduct by its police officers who violate the constitutional rights of citizens and other persons in the municipality's jurisdiction, through unlawful arrest and imprisonment, assault and battery, the use

- of excessive force, and racial discrimination through lack of Equal Protection of the Laws, constitute deliberate indifference and are unlawful.
- 35. The customs, policies and practices of Defendant CITY OF DETROIT, in failing to supervise, discipline, and respond to incidents of misconduct by its police officers who violate the constitutional rights of citizens and other persons, through unlawful arrest and imprisonment, assault and battery, the use of excessive force, and racial discrimination through lack of Equal Protection of the Laws, created an environment of tacit approval of such unlawful conduct, and were a moving force in the violation of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN'S rights.
- 36. As a direct and a proximate result of Defendant CITY OF DETROIT'S violation of Plaintiff ROGER CAIN'S rights, Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as stated in paragraphs 14 and 15.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs demand judgment against Defendants for whatever amount the jury shall determine, in compensatory damages, together with interest, costs, and attorney fees as allowed under all applicable provisions of law, including 42 USC § 1988.

COUNT V INTENTIONAL INFLICTION OF EMOTIONAL DISTRESS

- 37. Plaintiffs re-allege all of paragraphs 1 through 36 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 38. Defendants' misconduct, in intentionally and falsely arresting Plaintiff ROGER CAIN, and subjecting him to excessive force, assault and battery, shock, fright and

- humiliation, was atrocious, outrageous, and calculated to inflict, and did in fact inflict, severe emotional distress on Plaintiffs.
- 39. As a direct and a proximate result of the Defendants' intentional infliction of emotional distress on Plaintiff ROGER CAIN, Plaintiffs suffered injuries and damages as stated in paragraph 14 and 15.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff claims judgment against Defendants, in the amount in excess of Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Dollars (\$250,000) which is fair and just and consistent with the law and evidence as shall be determined, together with interest, costs and attorney's fees.

COUNT VI PUNITIVE DAMAGES

- 40. Plaintiff re-alleges all of paragraphs 1 through 39 as though fully set forth herein, word for word.
- 41. The conduct of Defendants RUSSELL and SERGENT was intentional, wilfull, wanton and malicious.
- 42. The conduct of Defendants RUSSELL and SERGENT was:
 - 1. Intended to inflict unnecessary, gratuitous pain upon the Plaintiff.
 - 2. Maliciously, willfully and wantonly done, and
 - 3. Was an abuse and misuse of his lawful authority and position.
- 43. As a direct and proximate consequence of Defendants RUSSELL'S and SERGENT'S actions, the Plaintiff experienced physical pain and suffering and

emotional harm above and beyond that showing from his forcible and otherwise unlawful arrest.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment against Defendants RUSSELL and SERGENT for whatever amount the jury shall determine in punitive damages, together with interest, costs and attorney fees.

JURY DEMAND

The Plaintiffs demand trial of their cause by jury.

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Dated: September 28, 2004 F:\FILED\T-Stephens\Cain\Complaint.wpd

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